

Declaration for Patent Application

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**FAULT TOLERANT SYSTEM SHARED SYSTEM RESOURCE
WITH STATE MACHINE LOGGING**

which is described and claimed in Application for United States Letters Patent Serial Number 09/579,610 filed on May 26, 2000.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56(a).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Power of Attorney

As the below named inventor, I hereby appoint the following with full powers of association, substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We Milcs Aram de Forest and Earle Trounson MacHardy Jr., have invented certain new and useful improvements in

FAULT TOLERANT SYSTEM SHARED SYSTEM RESOURCE WITH STATE MACHINE LOGGING which are described and claimed in Application Serial Number 09/579,670 filed on May 26, 2000 for United States Letters Patent in respect of which a Declaration and Power of Attorney is executed on even date herewith.

WHEREAS, EMC CORPORATION, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and having its principal place of business at 171 South Street, Hopkinton, Massachusetts, is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in and to said invention, said Application and the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, WE have sold, assigned, and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and set over to the said EMC CORPORATION, and said assignee's legal representatives, successors, and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said Application and the Letters Patent, both foreign and domestic, that may or shall issue thereon including the right to claim in respect of any subsequent corresponding foreign patent applications and patents, the priority date of the said application under any international treaty; and WE do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to the above identified assignee in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

UPON SAID CONSIDERATION, WE do hereby covenant and agree with the said assignee that WE will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents, and that WE will at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the said assignee, execute such additional assignments and other writings and such additional acts as said assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the assignee's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, divisional, reissued, or extended Letters Patent of the United States or of any and all foreign countries on said invention, and in enforcing any rights or causes in action accruing as a result of such applications or patents, by giving testimony in any proceedings or transactions involving such applications or patents, and by executing preliminary statements and other affidavits, it being understood that the foregoing covenant and agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the assigns and legal representatives of all parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 20th day of September 2000

Name: Miles Aram De Forest

Seal: Miles Aram de Forest

United States of America

Commonwealth of Massachusetts STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

County of Worcester.

On this 20th day of September 2000, before me personally appeared Miles Aram de Forest, to me proved to be the person described in the foregoing Assignment, who acknowledged that he executed the foregoing Assignment of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

Julie A. Kastenmeier
Notary Public

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On this 12th day of September 2000, before me personally appeared Earle Trouson MacHardy Jr., to me proved to be the person described in the foregoing Assignment, who acknowledged that he executed the foregoing Assignment of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires 2-8-2003